

**CLAYTON COUNTY RECOGNIZES
DEREK YOUNG
FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVISM**

- WHEREAS:** Derek Young was born and raised in Covert, Michigan as the eldest of three children where he learned the importance of a strong community foundation based on value and unity; and
- WHEREAS:** Derek developed characteristics in leadership and guidance through the influence of his parents, who both pursued careers in education. Epitomizing the significance of family commitment, Derek is a proud husband of 21 years to his college sweetheart; and
- WHEREAS:** Derek has been a resident of Clayton County since 1987, where he initiated a level of passion and dedication to his community. He serves as the founding board member, since 1992, of Villages at Lake Ridge Home Owners Association; and
- WHEREAS:** Derek is currently the President of Villages at Lake Ridge Home Owners Association and has held this reputable position since 1997, providing an outstanding 15 years of service to his fellow neighbors; and
- WHEREAS:** Derek remains active not only in his Association but in his involvement with several organizations within the community. He is a member of World Changers Church International, works closely with Habitat for Humanity and Rebuilding Atlanta, was a previous member of Clayton County Wide Home Owners Association, and recently formed an alliance with Red Gate Estates and Villages at Creekside to improve the conditions in Clayton County; now
- THEREFORE:** I, GAIL B. HAMBRICK and WOLE RALPH, Commissioners, on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, do hereby recognize and honor the outstanding services and contributions Derek Young has made to the Clayton County Community. Through the dedication of citizens, such as Derek, our communities are able to thrive and Clayton County is a better place in which to live, work, and play.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia, to be affixed this 15th day of May in the year two thousand twelve.

Gail B. Hambrick, Commissioner

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